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Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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WINES AND SPIRITS.

We invite attention to the following Brands,
all of which are excellent quality and
good value for the money.The same being specially selected by our
London House, and bought direct from the most
noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled
by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best
growths at moderate prices.In ordering, it is only necessary to state the
name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted,
and initial letter for quality desired.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use).

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
A. Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capsule.....	\$10	\$1.00
B. Vintage, superior quality, Red Capsule.....	12	1.10
C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Cap- sule.....	14	1.25
D. Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).....	18	1.50

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
SHERRIES.		
A. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule.....	6	0.60
B. Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule	7.50	0.75
C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.....	10	1.00
CC Superior Old Dry Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.....	10	1.10
D. Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capsule.....	12	1.10
E. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bot- tled).....	14	1.25

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
CLARETS.		
A. Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capsule.....	4	\$4.50
B. St. Estephe, Red Capsule.....	4.50	5.00
C. St. Julien, Red Capsule.....	7.50	7.50
D. La Rose, Red Capsule.....	11	15.00

MADEIRA, HOCK AND CHAMPAGNES.
FULL PARTICULARS OF THE VARIOUS BRANDS
IN STOCK ON APPLICATION.

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
BRANDY.		
A. Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule.....	\$13	\$1.20
B. Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule.....	15	1.40
C. Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule.....	20	1.75
D. Hennessy's Finest Very Old Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule.....	30	2.50

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
SCOTCH WHISKY.		
A. Thorne's Blend, White Cap- sule.....	8	0.75
B. Watson's Glenorchy, Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
C. Watson's Abouln-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark.....	8	0.75
D. Watson's H. & D. Blend, the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule	10	1.00
E. Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Gold Capsule.....	12	1.10

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
IRISH WHISKY.		
A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule.....	8	0.75
B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	10	1.00
C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule.....	12	1.10
Genuine Bourbon Whisky, Fine old, Red Capsule, with Name.....	10	1.00

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
GIN.		
A. Fine Old Tom, White Cap- sule.....	4.50	0.40
B. Fine Unsweetened, White Capsule.....	4.50	0.40
C. Fine A. V. H. Geneva.....	5.25	0.50

	Per Case.	Per Bot.
RUM.		
Finest Old Jamaica, Violet capsule.....	12	1.00
Good 1 upward Island.....	\$1.50	per Gallon.
LIQUEURS.		
Benedictine, Maraschino, Curacao, Hoerling's Cherry Cordial, Chartreuse, Dr. Slegert's Angostura, Bitters, &c.		

PRICES ON APPLICATION.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 14, 1892.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON DOCK TROUBLES.

LONDON, May 12th.
The Dock Directors deny the existence of any
trouble beyond trivial disputes.

THE ITALIAN MINISTRY.

The formation of a new Ministry has been
entrusted to Signor Giolitti by the King of Italy.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FAIR-PLAY'S letter to Mr. Hastings, acting police
magistrate, is unavoidably held over until Mon-
day.THE Official Salaries question will be thoroughly
dealt with in our next issue. No space available
to-night.THE three big fires in Mandalay, said to have
been the work of incendiaries, caused damage
estimated at ten millions of rupees.THE Italian man-of-war *Curtatone* arrived at
three o'clock this afternoon from Singapore, and
saluted the port and the Commodore.THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carill & Co.)
inform us that the steamship *Esmeralda* left Singa-
pore for this port to-day, and is due on or about
the 20th inst.We are informed by the Agent of the O. & O.
S. S. Co. that the steamship *Bright*, with mails,
&c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yolo-
nima, on the 10th inst.Mr. Hans Bucher, of the Siam Public Works
Department, died of cholera at Bangkok on
April 29th. The deceased gentleman was a
native of Zurich and 37 years of age.THE British gunboat *Peacock* and the "Ben"
latter *Benlawers* were docked at Kowloon yester-
day. The Occidental and Oriental Co's steamship
Gaule was towed over to the Cosmopolitan
Dock this morning.FOR stealing a cat and swearing he thought it
was his dawg, a wiry-looking Tai-ping-shanite
was this morning sent to shot drill, ockum picking
and cell-scrubbing in the Arboretum
dungeons—and all for the sake of Queen "Vic.""I TOOK it for my own use entirely" was the
plea of a Talkoo Sugar Refinery coolie, as he
to-day went into retirement for seven days at
the request of the Police Court magistrate, who
strongly objected to his taking twelve cents
worth of sugar out of the refinery with intent to
keep it for good.SOUND the file and cry the slogan and bring out
our second-hand bagpipes so that we can tune up
"Lochaber no more!" The great "Tosh" of
that ilk and of Talkoo will shake the dust of
Hongkong off his well-developed testicles within
the next few days for good. We don't know
whether the monster is a native of the colony,
but that is a matter of detail. However,
we will say ourselves out, and regulation the
"Pote," the Office Goat and the other geniuses of
our staff, in order to give Tosh of Talkoo a
rattling good send-off in prose and verse and
wild, skidding music from our own particular
chanter.THE Scottish Oriental Co's steamer *Louisa*,
Captain A. Benson, dropped in here yesterday
while en route from Swatow to Bangkok and
Singapore, and anchored near Southcote's
Island. She was not expected here, so her
sudden appearance gave rise to some speculation
as to the immediate cause of her arrival. It was
soon ascertained that one of her passengers, a
gentleman, who rendered it absolutely neces-
sary to call in at Hongkong to have a new
rod fitted. Chief engineer Tolchok and his
subordinates soon got to work after arriving in
harbour and succeeded in having the latest
addition to the Co's fleet ready for sea this
morning, when she sped on her way southward
with 600 passengers and a big general cargo.ALAS! alas! Another \$50,000 of the Hongkong
and Shanghai Bank's coin in jeopardy owing to
the Yokohama branch of that great financial
institute having advanced \$75,000, at interest,
on the old P. & O. steamship (now an "Upton")
liner *Zambesi*. The \$75,000 has not been paid,
and the interest on it has not been paid
neither has the New Oriental Bank's \$115,000
been paid, and it may be doubted whether all these
sums will ever be paid, seeing that the *Zambesi*
has been fetched up in such a hole in the
Straits, that it does not seem, of course, and is only a
detail. Further particulars on Monday, when
the Admiralty Court will sit on the *Zambesi*.
We shall have to see our fully mortgaged ten
shares of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank
if this sort of thing goes on much longer. What's
the matter with the Court of Directors anyhow?
Aren't they supposed to do some directing or
something for the \$300,000 per annum they draw
for services (I repeat it) does not look like it
like it but it will all come out in the washing by
and by.WORK on the Korat Railway, says the *Bangkok*
Times, of May 13th, is steadily going ahead.
Between Bangkok and Ayutthia the earth-work
is being thrown up, and two bridges have been
commenced. A station is in course of erection
at Bang-sue, four miles out of Bangkok, and the
timber for nearly all the others—eight altogether
—between there and Ayutthia has been obtained.
At Ayutthia Mr. McGlashan is starting to erect a
station. There has been a deviation made from
the original plans, by which the line for about 30
miles past Ayutthia has been strengthened, and so
shortened by about two miles, besides going
through more villages. From 1,200 to 1,400
coolies are now at work on the line altogether,
and more are being got from Hongkong. Some
200 were ready to leave Dell for Siam recently,
but the authorities prevented their emigration.
Arrangements are also being made for the
employment of Laos from Chienmai, in addition
to the many natives now engaged. The rails
for the first fifty miles have been ordered from
Singapore—that the circulation of the *Hongkong*
Telegraph exceeds that of the *Straits Times*.
Our books will be at the service of any agent in
Hongkong Mr. Reid thinks fit to appoint, and
he will, of course, afford our Singapore repre-
sentative equal facilities. This, we submit, is as
fair an offer as can be made, and unless it is
accepted, the only conclusion to be arrived at
is that the "only journalist" in the East either
lacks the courage of his opinions or has been
induced by making him a reporting officer. No
doubt Mr. Annot-Reid will admit that Hongkong
is in Asia, and that the *Hongkong Telegraph*
is published in that famous Far Eastern outpost of
the British empire. Very well then. The
Editor of this journal will wage Mr. Annot-
Reid the sum of \$500—the loser to pay
\$500 to the Alice Memorial Hospital in
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Telegraph exceeds that of the *Straits Times*.The exodus of Europeans from Rangoon still
continues. The steamship *Pegon* recently took
away 75 European passengers, besides five
elephants and a tiger.DR. DOBERCK says to-day "Weather overcast,
and warm with slight rain." If we can believe our
own senses, the worthy Doctor must have been out
in a very strong sun. Or perhaps it's "Highland
dew."We are informed that a report was current in
Shanghai when the latest arrival here last that
port to the effect that "Gassy Jim" has obtained
a bill of sale in New Orleans. That city, we believe,
is somewhere in the United States.ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission
steam-launch *Day Spring* will call alongside
vessels holding code pennant C, between 9
and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, to convey men ashore to
the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30 p.m.THE *Bangkok Times* of the 4th inst. says that
owing to the fatal case of cholera which occurred
the previous Saturday morning at Messrs. Tucker
Sligg & Co's late premises, the extraordinary
meeting of the shareholders in the Goldfields of
Siam, Limited, was not held.THE British steamship *Torrington*, 1,565 tons,
purchased at auction on Thursday by the Hon-
C. P. Charter for \$33,000, after undergoing a
thorough overhaul will be employed carrying
coal between Hongkong and this port, for which
trade she is admirably suited. We understand
that the output from the Hongkong mines will be
very materially increased within the next few
weeks.OUR esteemed morning contemporary mentions
that "to-day's issue of the *Daily Press* consists
of six pages, or forty-two columns," which is
modest, considering that they used to say "forty-
eight pages." But of these 42 columns, the
only piece of work originating in the *Daily Press*
office is a review, such as it is, of a book pub-
lished six weeks back. All the rest of the "six
pages, or forty-two columns," is padding, cribbed
from other papers, and mostly unacknowledged.It would appear that in the British colony of
Victoria, Irish solicitors are quite an inferior class
of article to the "real Mackay's." At Melbourne
the other day Messrs. F. G. Keating and J. Lynch,
solicitors of the Supreme Court of Judicature in
Ireland, applied to the Full Court for admission
to practise as barristers and solicitors of the
Supreme Court of Victoria. The Court reserved
decision, which the Chief Justice gave on April
13th, refusing the application on the ground that
the qualifications necessary for an Irish solicitor
were not of equal value to the qualification now
rendered necessary for a barrister and solicitor
under section 11 of the *Legal Profession and
Practise Act*, in that Roman law, international
law, constitutional law, and jurisprudence did
not form part of the curriculum in the examina-
tion for solicitors in Ireland. This is the first
decision with reference to the admission of
foreign solicitors to practise in Victoria since the
coming into operation of the *Legal Profession
and Practise Act*, 1880.At the Sanitary Board meeting yesterday,
the position of Mr. Ladd's was discussed, his report
on the working of his dual occupation (public
and private) having been circulated. Mr.
Francis was not a bit satisfied. Dr. Castille,
Mr. Ede, and Mr. Cooper were satisfied, and the
report of Mr. Ladd's was adopted, with only two
dissentients. It was however, unanimously
resolved—"That Mr. Ladd's connection with
the Dairy Farm Company does not appear to
have interfered with his duties to the Board
during the last three months; but, in view of
Mr. Ladd's being an executive officer of the
Board, the Board does not approve of his con-
tinuing his present connection with the Dairy
Farm Company, but have no objection to his
being allowed general consultative practice, and
to accept fees for each case as it arises." A
serious case was reported by the Sanitary
Superintendent, of a female Chinese leper living
at Stanley. It was decided to arrange, if
possible, for her removal to the Canton Asylum,
and to have her house at Stanley destroyed, com-
pensation being given. It was further suggested
that legislation on the subject of deportation
might be needed, but no resolution was passed.For cool, cast-iron cheek Mr. Annot-Reid, editor
and manager of the *Singapore Straits Times*,
not only "takes the cake," but he annexes the
entire bakery. It was this young gentleman
who a year or two ago, when on a visit to Hong-
kong, modestly claimed in conversation with the
present writer to be "the only practical news-
paper man in the Far East." Well, Mr. Annot-
Reid may be right, but his journal is in the
quintessence of the globe, but his journal is the
Straits Times, a publication that rivals the
Hongkong *Daily Press* for dunnity and is in
every degree more interesting than the *Amoy*
Gazette, hardly shows it, and we are sadly
afraid that such a claim would be generally
laughed at here, at Shanghai and in fair Japan.
However, here is Mr. Reid's latest exhibition of
that exceptional talent of which he claims a
monopoly—"The *Straits Times* has the largest
circulation of any newspaper in Asia, British
India excepted. It circulates in Singapore, Penang,
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